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LITTLE KATE,
the 10-year-old child, then told her story. The
negro had thrown her upon the bed on one
occasion during the week past and had torn
her underclothing, but she had not harmed
her because the other girls were there.
Annie Grimes is the daughter of a poor widow.
The negro had taken liberties with
her but had never violently assaulted
her. She had been present
on the occasions on which he is said to have
assaulted Mary Moore, but helped always sent her
out to buy candy or ice cream and her knowl-
edge of the wrong was only what Mary had
told her.

Mary Moore, the child of 12, is the largest of
the four girls being as fully developed as
most girls of her age, while her companions
have been retarded in their growth by the
stinting hand of want. Mary, how-
ever, is a delicate nature. Her face is
thin and pale, and the eyes lack the
brilliance of health. About three or four
days ago she was taken ill and has
today are great red circles that belong only
to the faces of malarial sufferers. In the
negro's association with this child he has
been more successful than with her com-
panions, and has at least on three oc-
casions held relations with her that
her youth alone prevents, perhaps, from
subsequent and more deplorable results. The
familiarity was a thing of recent time but yet
gradual growth, and had been produced by
the negro, she is the child whom Mrs. De
Donato discovered in the black's embraces
yesterday while little Annie Grimes was
standing by in the stable.

MRS. DE DONATO,
through whose determined interference the
shocking misdeeds were brought to an end, is
the wife of the hair dealer at Sixth and Olive
streets. She is a large, dark-skinned woman
possessed of considerable physical strength
and a great deal of nerve, as the account
she gave to a Post-Dispatch reporter to-day
shows. It is on De Donato's pre-
mises that the girls were assaulted, and
the way it came to give up its horrible
record is best told in the lady's own words.
"I was sitting at home yesterday after-
noon at 4 o'clock sewing when a
neighboring lady came in and said:
'Oh, Mrs. De Donato, I have something to tell
you,' and in an excited manner beckoned me
to follow her. Observing from her
excited manner that something un-
usual was afoot, I hurried after
her. She told me to look into the barn and see if I
observed anything. The lower doors were
closed and I said I could see nothing. Then
my companion told me again to
look carefully as there was something
going on inside. I picked up a rock with
which I advanced to the door. The lady with
me asked: 'William's Willie,' meaning our
colored boy.
'Why, he's at the store, isn't he?' I re-
plied in astonishment.
'No, he isn't; he's in there.'
'The door was secured by a heavy staple
and bolt; but God must have given me
strength, for as I heard the
noise grasped the door and pulled
with all my might. It yielded
enough to admit me. When I stood inside
a most shocking sight
appeared. In the barouche sat the boy or
man Willie, with his clothes all open, while
near him was the eldest girl
in a state of semi-nudity. Standing near was
the smaller girl, who, on seeing me, started to
dodge under me and escape from the door.
I was the first time I was ever here.
Oh let me go.' I was so angry that I felt
like killing the fellow. I seized that con-
fiding child and threw the rock at her and
then advanced upon the larger girl.
She screamed, the barouche on
the opposite side the colored
man and the girl pushed the barouche with
me, trying to push me against the wall. I then
became furious and released myself by using
all my strength. I reached out for the girl

and caught her by both arms,
whereupon the clothes she had been
holding up fell off and she stood uncovered.
She was a punky, strong little vixen and de-
fied me, trying to bite my arms. The colored
man got hold of one of her arms and tried to
pull her away, threatening to kill me if I
didn't loose my hold. I still clung to her, and
then the fellow picked up a bucket and swore
he'd kill me if I didn't let go. I didn't let
the girl go, fearful that he might
carry his threat into execution. I pushed
the girl from me and made an effort to clutch
the negro; but he turned and fled up into the
hayloft, where he got a pitchfork and defied
anybody to come up the steps. He said he
would knock

THE POLICEMAN'S HEAD OFF
if he came in. I then left him and did what I
could to remove the clothesless girl from the
view of the children, who had gathered. In
another minute the police arrived and ar-
rested the criminals.
'Was this the first knowledge you had of
these doings?'
'Well, I should say it was, and if I had only
been able to use the rock on that boy it
would have been his last doing.
You see it was impossible for the people in our
house to see anything in the barn, as the
house stands up on the street at quite an
elevation, and the barn away in the
rear. But I'll tell you what is
fact, that there are some people in that
neighborhood who ought to be horsewhipped.
Months and have said nothing about it, and it
only leaked out yesterday, when my friend
was told incidentally and reported to
me. We wouldn't, but people had
often seen the little girls in the barn naked
and had said nothing about it. We had never
suggested the fellow Smith at all.
I have inquired around to-day and find he was
always considered a little gentleman and was,
in fact, quite noted for his polite ways.'

AT THE POLICE COURT.
This morning the four little girls called at
the Police Court accompanied by their
grief-stricken parents and Officer
Byrne. The little girls were all
very neatly dressed and scarcely looked to be
as old as they really are. It was easy to see
that their action has been a terrible blow
to their parents, the sad expression of whose
faces would enlist the sympathy of
the most hard-hearted going before last.
Prosecuting Attorney Dierkes, the children
told their sickening story.
The warrants for criminal assault were
issued against him. Mary Moore
being the victim mentioned in the
Lizzie Fikowski, the girl mentioned in the
other. Both these girls are 12 years of age,
and are the only children the black brute real-
ly harmed, Katie Fikowski and Annie Grimes,
who are several years younger than the other
girls, being merely lookers-on at
the occurrences. In the warrants the date of
the assaults is given as on or about August 1.
If the girls were under 12 years of age it would
not be necessary to prove that Smith used force
in accomplishing his purpose, as the law pre-
sumes that a child under that age is too young
to know the meaning of an act
of this kind. If it cannot be shown
that force was used on the oc-
casion mentioned it is difficult to
understand how a conviction can be obtained.
Should the negro be convicted, however,
things are apt to go very hard with him as the
dissever punishment for the offense is
years in the Penitentiary and the maximum
flogging, the matter being left entirely to the
discretion of the jury. While the law pre-
sumes the age at which a child should realize
the full meaning of an act of this kind, there
can be no doubt that these girls had very little
idea of what they were actually doing when
they gave way to Smith's advances.

SMITH'S STATEMENT.
A reporter visited the negro at the Fourth
District Station and through the courtesy of
the officers in charge was permitted an inter-
view. Little Smith, the prisoner, is a
saddle-colored dandy, 25 years old, about
five feet six inches tall and weighing, perhaps,
150 pounds. He is slight of frame, has a thin
face, with high cheek bones, and a stoic
expression. He is not at all expressive in
his lines about the eyes and mouth indicate the
debauchee. He is arrogant and defiant and
has unusual facilities as a liar. He admitted
that he had criminal association with one of
the girls, and the next breath denied the
fact and insisted that the reporter and officers
were misrepresenting him. He was told that
a shot-gun party were coming down to hang
him, and replied that 'he didn't care a
point and that was to lie unreservedly
and without provocation. He admits that the
girls came to his stable and that he used to
give them rides in the buggy, but he added
that they were always hanging on him and
pestering round him.

SOONER THAN EXPECTED.
To-Morrow, It Is Said, Will See the Last
of the St. Louis Maroons.
By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, D. C., August 10.—It is under-
stood in base ball circles in this city that the
game to-morrow with the Nationals will be
the last one played by the St. Louis League
Club under its present management. Man-
ager James Mutrie of the New York
Club is in the city, and it is
said his mission here is to
get a slice of the best part of the Maroon's
players. Glascock, Denny or Myers would
not be unacceptable to the New York man-
ager and these are the men upon whom he
has his eyes.

News was received here last night that Lucas
had left St. Louis on road to Washington to
consummate a rumored deal with the Wash-
ington management. This proposition was to
turn over the club, players and all, to Wash-
ington for the sum of \$5,000. This is a reduction
from the original price of \$12,000 asked by
Manager Gus Schmeel of one or two parties
with whom he has been discussing the matter
of late. It is also said in connection
with the deal that Lucas' deal-
ings were made with Spaulding
of Chicago and with the Marbushes of
Salem of Boston, through Spaulding and that
the Washington management was used only as
a puppet by the big guns in the League.
Day and Mutrie, it is claimed, were not con-
sulted at all on the matter and this explains
Mutrie's sudden trip to the capital and his
anxiety about further developments.
All that the New York man
wants, he himself says, is not to get left on
the pick of the players, keeping the cham-
pionship in view all the time.

Nothing whatever can be ascertained here
to-day with reference to the action the League
will take in case a vacancy occurs. There
is little danger of the latter, however,
as a prominent League man said this morning
that the clubs would be so swamped around
as not to interfere with the championship
schedule.

MOVED UP A PKG.
Postmaster Hyde Gives Civil Service Re-
form Another Hug.
Civil-service reform got a decided boom at
the post-office to-day. The death of
Charles Bremer did not bring
into the ranks any inexperienced
successor, but on the contrary Postmaster
Hyde has followed a strictly orthodox course
of promotion.
The most exacting mngwump.
To the place of assistant superintendent of mails
Frank Smith steps upward from the position
of foreman. Harry McCaffrey goes up
to be foreman. Fred Bannhoff, senior dis-
tributor, takes Mac's place as leader.
These promotions having the effect
to advance one man along the
entire line it became necessary to add a
brand-new man to the force of the
St. Louis post office. The man to fill the
gap left from the table of eligi-
bilities Postmaster Hyde selected Henry F.
Hodnett, who was made a sub-carrier.

JUROR DILTON held court this morning and
afternoon, adjourning at 2:30 p. m. until to-
morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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